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PRODUCTION OF LUMBER AND OTHER TIMBER PRODUCTS
IN CALIFORNIA AND NEVADA, 1935

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LUMBER CUT - M Ft. B.M.
(Mills cutting 50 M or over)

SPECIES	PINE REGION		REDWOOD REGION		TOTAL	
	Volume	%	Volume	%	Volume	%
Ponderosa pine	679,523	69.2	20	-	679,543	50.4
Sugar pine	161,230	16.2	-	-	161,230	11.8
White fir	(1) 49,240	5.0	11,776	3.2	61,016	4.5
Douglas fir	67,076	6.8	28,432	7.7	95,508	7.0
Cedar	(2) 26,373	2.7	15	-	26,388	2.0
Redwood	(3) 106	-	328,756	88.7	328,862	24.1
Spruce	-	-	1,605	.4	1,605	.1
Lodgepole pine	-	-	-	-	-	-
Hemlock	1,343	.1	24	-	1,367	.1
Oak	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other species	194	-	-	-	194	-
TOTALS	(4) 985,085	100.0	370,628	100.0	1,355,713	100.0

In addition to the above, 32 mills producing less than

50 M each cut

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1,356,520

TOTAL, all mills

Lath	20,673 M pcs.	3,896 M pcs.	24,569 M pcs.
Shingles	475 squares	106,929 squares	107,404 squares
Sawn shakes	75 M pcs.	1,000 M pcs.	1,075 M pcs.

(1) Includes both white and red fir.

(2) The pine region cut was incense cedar with the exception of a small amount of Port Orford; all of the redwood region cedar was Port Orford.

(3) Bigtree (*Sequoia washingtoniana*). The redwood of the (coast) redwood region is *Sequoia sempervirens*.

(4) About 12 million feet of Douglas fir and hemlock was cut from Oregon logs

Comparative production since 1920 - totals, including hardwoods, for all mills (California and Nevada) cutting over 50 M feet per annum and percentage increase or decrease of each year as compared with preceding year:

Year	Cut M feet	%	Year	Cut M feet	%	Year	Cut M feet	%
1921	1,350,438		1926	2,187,959	7.1	1931	957,740	-36.8
1922	1,720,556	27.4	1927	2,070,811	-5.4	1932	680,520	-28.9
1923	2,118,094	23.1	1928	1,952,659	-5.7	1933	784,626	15.3
1924	1,996,496	-5.7	1929	2,063,229	5.7	1934	1,014,747	29.3
1925	2,042,991	2.3	1930	1,514,263	-26.6	1935	1,355,713	33.6

SPLIT PRODUCTS

PRODUCT	PINE REGION		REDWOOD REGION		TOTAL	
	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value
Ties	-	-	136,121 pcs.	\$ 65,240	136,121 pcs.	\$ 65,240
Posts	9,410 pcs.	\$ 1,200	160,038 "	21,267	169,448 "	22,467
Poles	1,200 lin.ft.	1,200	22,845 lin.ft.	5,632	24,045 lin.ft.	6,832
Stakes	-	-	1,254 M pcs.	30,014	1,254 M pcs.	30,014
Tanbark	-	-	2,130 cds.	26,299	2,130 cds.	26,299
Piling	-	-	780 lin.ft.	174	780 lin.ft.	174
Timbers	113 M ft.	984	350 M ft.	335	463 M ft.	1,319
Split shakes	386 M pcs.	3,930	605 M pcs.	9,029	991 M pcs.	12,959
Cordwood	453 cds.	2,035	1,417 cds.	7,607	1,870 cds.	9,642
Shingle bolts	-	-	521 bolts	3,159	521 bolts	3,159
Pickets	-	-	4 M pcs.	190	4 M pcs.	190
Redwood bark	-	-	22 cds.	430	22 cds.	430
Mill wood	-	-	1,097 "	4,389	1,097 "	4,389
Miscellaneous	-	-	-	-	-	-
(not segregated)	-	776	-	-	-	776
TOTAL	-	\$10,125	-	\$173,765	-	\$183,890

Lumber production in California continues its upward trend, the 1935 cut showing an increase of 340,966 M bd. ft., or 33.6% over 1934. Of this increase in cut, 91.4% or 311,903 M bd. ft. was in the pine region, ponderosa pine being the principal species cut and comprising slightly more than 50% of the output, with redwood ranking second in comprising a little more than 24% of it.

There was a very marked increase in lath and shingle production also, the lath output more than doubling that of 1934 and shingle output increasing 26%.

Of the 133 sawmills reporting products valued at \$5,000 or more in 1935, there was a total payroll of \$16,417,065 for wage earners, exclusive of contract work.

The lumber produced had a value at the mill of \$31,536,436 while lath and shingles together amounted to \$286,819. Veneer, cooperage and split products added \$1,900,371, making a grade total of \$33,723,626 for the State for rough lumber and timber products.